

# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota*

### *Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, Major James Carpenter (JC) has been a member of the South Dakota Highway Patrol since 1978, and served with distinction as a trooper in Burke and Winner, South Dakota; and,

*Whereas*, Major Carpenter has distinguished himself by his service to the state of South Dakota and by his leadership, example, commitment to excellence, loyalty, and dedication to duty; and,

*Whereas*, Major Carpenter has demonstrated his successful abilities as an outstanding leader and a shining example of integrity; and,

*Whereas*, Major Carpenter provided 20 years of law enforcement instruction and was a member of the Highway Patrol pistol team for 15 years, earning state champion honors 5 times and numerous national awards; and,

*Whereas*, Major Carpenter is recognized by his South Dakota Highway Patrol friends as one who will be sorely missed; and,

*Whereas*, JC's wife, Charlene, daughter, Michelle, son-in-law, Kevin, and three grandsons, Jordan, Casey, and Aaron, will join with members of the South Dakota Highway Patrol, other family, friends, and colleagues on January 7, 2008, to congratulate JC and to offer wishes for future success; and,

*Whereas*, Major James Carpenter will retire from the South Dakota Highway Patrol on January 8, 2008, after more than 30 years of faithful and dedicated public service to the citizens of the state of South Dakota:

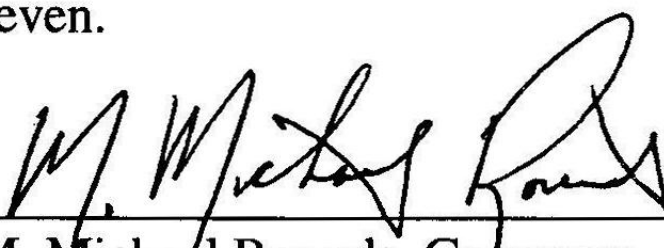
*Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim January 8, 2008, as

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in South Dakota, and I join his colleagues, friends and family as they recognize JC for his commitment to a successful career with the South Dakota Highway Patrol.



*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fourth Day of January in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and seven.

  
M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

  
Chris Nelson, Secretary of State